

CHURCH OF OUR LADY MOTHER OF DIVINE GRACE, Raheny

1st March 2009 First Sunday of Lent Week 1 Cycle B

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MASS INTENTIONS



Lenten Reflections will be held each Friday of Lent at 7.30pm in the Capuchin Friary, Raheny Road. All are welcome.

We extend our sympathies to the family and friends of **Robbie McMahon** whose funeral was celebrated in Co Laois last Thursday. May he rest in peace.

Sincere thanks to all parishioners who contributed to last weekend's **SHARE** collection which totalled €1885.

We welcome to our Parish community **Jack Patrick Thomas Jennings, Mya Kristin Byrne and Jessica Pamela O'Reardon** all who were baptized recently.

The Mercy Centre, St. Brendan's Drive, Coolock, run by the Sisters of Mercy and a Core Group are holding a workshop entitled *Healing Life's Hurts* on Saturday 7th March from 10am to 5pm. Cost €35. Call 8487259 for further details.

An overnight retreat of the **Lay Association of St. Ignatius**, given by the Jesuits, will be held at Manresa, Dollymount on Saturday and Sunday, 7th and 8th March. Enquiries to 01 4950982.

Next Sunday's Readings

Gen 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18. Ps 115. Rom 8:31-34. Mk 9:2-10.

The **Annual Novena of Grace** takes place this week from Wednesday 4th to Thursday 12th March. The Novena Mass will be held daily at the 10am Mass. The Novena prayers will also be prayed daily at the 7.30am Mass. This year's Novena of Grace will be led by Monsignor Colm Gallagher.

We celebrate our **40 Hours of the Blessed Sacrament** this weekend. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on Saturday from after the 10am Mass until 8pm (except during the 6pm Vigil Mass) and on Sunday from after the 11.30am Mass until 8pm (except during the 5pm Mass). Benediction will take place on Saturday and Sunday evening at 7.45pm

On this coming Friday there will be a special prayer service in the side Chapel of the Parish Church. "**World Day of Prayer**" is an International and Ecumenical time of Prayer so we invite you to join us on Friday 6th March at 7.30 pm. All are most welcome.

Questions People Ask

Q. Could you tell me about the temptations of Jesus. Was it the way we are tempted to sin?

A. The temptations of Jesus may be understood as attempts by the devil to divert his mission from its real purpose. The devil's name is *diabolos*, a Greek word meaning one who misleads people, throwing them off course. Providing free bread or floating on angels' wings would certainly arouse curiosity, but would it lead to conversion of life? Jesus rejected these diabolical suggestions and chose the way of solidarity with human powerlessness, even death. This showed his total love for us. And then, resurrection from the dead was a sign infinitely more important than miraculous stunts.

Fr. Silvester O'Flynn OFM Cap

Vigil	6.00pm Maureen Walsh (Mem.)
	8.30am Pro Populo
	10.00am Peggy Dowling (1st Anniv.)
	11.30am Rose Monaghan and Betty Greene (Anniv.)
	5.00pm Patrick Keogan (Anniv.)
Mon.	7.30am Deceased members of The O'Donovan Family
	10.00am John & Sean Hickey (Anniv.)
Tues.	7.30am Aedan & Jean Robinson (Mem.)
	10.00am Michael & Margaret Hogan (Anniv.)
Wed.	7.30am Jim Fearon (Anniv.)
	10.00am Novena of Grace Intentions
Thurs.	7.30am Health Intention
	10.00am Novena of Grace Intentions
Fri.	7.30am Altar List of the Dead
	10.00am Novena of Grace Intentions
Sat.	9.40am Morning Prayer of the Church
	10.00am Novena of Grace Intentions

A meeting of **Family Mass Team** will be held on Monday evening 2nd March from 8.30pm to 10pm in the Children's Chapel (entrance thro' side door on Station Road side). Anyone interested in being involved in the Family Mass is welcome to attend.